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## High Prices, Low Wages Spell Slump

Washington, D. C.  
Prices must come down and consumer purchasing power must be maintained at a high level, or else the American economy faces a recession in 1947, an official government report entitled "Production Outlook 1947" stated February 28.

The report was issued by the Office of Temporary Controls, and was released by OTC Administrator Philip B. Fleming and Civilian Production Administrator John C. Houston Jr.

To maintain production, and hence employment, at the current high level the report says:

1. There must be "no further significant increase in prices—agricultural and some other prices, indeed, would have to drop from their current out-of-line position."

2. Inventories must pile up at a substantial rate.

3. Construction work should keep on rising.

4. Business investment in plant and equipment must remain at its present high level.

5. "Large-scale labor difficulties must be avoided."

If these things come about, the report says, production and employment would probably continue at the present level or slightly higher, and prices would rise "only very modestly" in the first half of 1947, and decline equally slowly during the second half.

### THE "ALTERNATIVE"

The other alternative the report gives, however, is not so bright. It would bring "a sharper increase in prices" and a very small expansion in production during the first half of 1947, "followed by a substantial, though not very severe decline in production, employment and prices, extending into 1948."

Just what this "not very severe decline" would mean to the workers is shown in the report's estimate that unemployment might reach "a possible high of about 6 million persons in the last quarter of the year."

## CALIFORNIA SLAVERS OF SNOOTY SET

Boston, Mass.  
Alfred Wesley Ingalls, 64, and his wife, Mrs. Mira Elizabeth Ingalls, 62, who are charged in California with keeping a Negro woman in "virtual slavery" for 27 years, were socially prominent among the snooty set of Boston and the North Shore.

Ingalls is a former Republican state representative and a well-known Boston lawyer. The Ingalls resided on Boston's famed Beacon Hill until they left for California last September with Dora L. Jones, the 57-year-old maid whom they allegedly forced to toil 16 hours a day without pay.

Before moving to Boston, Mr. and Mrs. Ingalls lived in Lynn, Mass., from where he served as legislator from 1923 to 1934. He was made chairman of the State House committee on banks and banking.

The FBI charges that Miss Jones was kept in the Ingalls home, forbidden to talk to anyone outside the family, and forced to wear castoff clothing and prohibited from leaving the house even to attend church or the movies for more than 20 years.

Besides doing ordinary housework, she allegedly had to wash the family car and do all the laundry and gardening. On the trip west, Miss Jones had to sleep in bathtubs and the rear seat of the automobile while the Ingalls slept in exclusive hotels, the FBI said.

## Women, 65 Cents

Industrial Welfare Commission, acting under authority of the Labor Code, has established the minimum wage of 65 cents for women and children in 10 basic industries. It will become effective about June 1 and will govern the following industries: manufacturing, personal services, canning and preserving, mercantile, laundry and dry cleaning, public housekeeping, transportation, amusement and recreation, industries handling harvested farm products, and office workers including technical, professional and clerical jobs. This is the highest wage rate now prevailing in any state.

## BOX MAKERS VOTE STRIKE ON APRIL 6

Box Makers Union 3034 of Salinas took a strike vote at their last meeting, the unanimous decision to send a notice to employers that a strike will be called on April 6 if demands for a wage increase are not met, Business Representative John W. Deer reports.

Notice that strike action will be resorted to unless the union's demand for a 15 cents per hour increase is not met was ordered sent to employers at once to comply with the 30-days notice as required by some laws, Deer said.

Employers affected are General Box Distributors, Western Box Distributors, California Pine Box Distributors and West Coast Box Co. Members of Local 3034 turned down the counter proposal of employers as presented at a negotiations committee meeting on February 25, Deer said. The union voted to instruct negotiators to press for the original demands of 15 cents hourly increase.

Attendance at the strike vote meeting of Local 3034 was the largest in history of the union, Deer said, and highest enthusiasm was noted.

## Pickets Still Before Salinas Modern Laundry

Pickets were still before the Modern Linen Supply at Salinas last week as Laundry Workers Union 258 sought to gain a contract, reported Business Representative J. W. Deer.

International Laundry Workers' Representative Lawrence Palacios was reported to have made arrangements for laundry and linen service to all restaurants, barber shops and bars in Salinas which wish to be served by union workers.

Those places wishing union laundry and linen service should contact Deer at the union headquarters.

## Rodeo Grounds Renovation Due To Start Soon

Repairs to chutes, barns and other projects to make the Rodeo Grounds at Salinas ready for the California Rodeo this June were due to be started this week or next, reports J. B. McGinley, business representative of Laborers 272 of Salinas.

Some of the work will be by private contract and the rest will be day work with the workers employed directly by the city, he added.

Contract for the 195 units of county housing at the air base went to Contractor Ed Carlson, low bidder in the call for bids, McGinley said. His price was \$334,905. Work will be started soon.

## Building Trades Of Salinas Area Form Committee

All building crafts in the Salinas area were reported as in agreement in the formation of a new Salinas AFL Co-ordinating Committee, which will serve in lieu of a Building Trades Council for the Salinas Area, which has no council for building trades unions.

Two meetings were held by the group, which is made up of representatives of all unions affected. Meetings will be each Wednesday night at offices of Teamsters 287, Main and John Streets, Salinas.

Tentative officers elected last week include E. R. French (Lathers) as chairman, and Al Miller (Carpenters) as secretary.

## Aromas Quarries Supply Rock for Moss Landing Job

Union workers at the Aromas quarries are supplying the heavy rock which will be used for the jetties and breakwaters on the government harbor project at Moss Landing, reports Paul Burnett, business agent of Laborers Union 283 of Santa Cruz County.

## CULINARY-BARTENDER OFFICIALS GREET INTERNATIONAL V. P.

Officials of culinary and bartender unions in Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties met at Salinas last Friday to greet International Vice President C. T. McDonough, who is currently a candidate for election as international secretary-treasurer.

McDonough was in Salinas to assist Bertha Boles, secretary of Culinary Alliance 467, in negotiations.

He was greeted by Mrs. Boles, Mildred Rowe, secretary of Santa Cruz County Local 345, Joe Vance, assistant to Mrs. Rowe, and Pearl Robinson, secretary of Monterey Culinary-Bartenders 483.

Mrs. Boles, Mrs. Rowe and Mrs. Robinson have been named delegates from their unions to the international Culinary-Bartender convention to be held at the end of this month and have announced that they will travel together on a train leaving March 29 from Oakland.

## Painters 1104 Organizing in South County

Carl Lara, business representative of Painters Union 1104 of Salinas, reported this week on initial success in the union's current organizing campaign in King City and other cities in the southern portion of the county.

Lara said he had met with general contractors and painting contractors during trips south, with good success.

Local 1104 reports two members on the sick list, Ben Walkingstick, in a sanitarium near Sacramento, and Elmer Barnett, home from the hospital following an operation.

## HARTER, RIAL AT CARPENTER SALARY MEET

George Harter, business representative of Carpenters 925 of Salinas, and Richard ("Dick") Rial, business representative of Carpenters 1323 of Monterey, were in San Francisco last week for the initial negotiations meeting for a new contract covering carpenters in 46 Northern California counties.

The contract, with the Associated General Contractors, may be expanded to cover all the state, it was reported.

## Telephone Rate Raise Protested

A petition was being circulated among union officials last week protesting a proposed increase in telephone rates along the Monterey Peninsula, officials reported.

Lester Caveny, business agent of the Monterey Fish Cannery Workers Union, was reportedly circulating one such petition.

Many unions already have opposed the proposed rate increase, which has been set at 25 per cent with toll charges also increased proportionately.

## Summer Fish Season Starts

Summer sardine and fancy pack has started along Monterey's famed "Cannery Row" with a slight increase in employment, reports Monterey Fish Cannery Workers Union.

Secretary Roy Humbricht of the FCWU reports that the Hovden plant is packing some summer sardines and mackerel, the Oxnard plant is putting up some sardines, Edgewater and San Carlos plants are packing squid.

Hopes for a good summer pack are high, the union secretary added.

## Ask Injury Pay

Included in their requests to employers by N. Calif. Molders Local 164 is a contract clause which provides that the regular wages of injured workers shall continue until the tardy machinery of the Workmen's Compensation Act has guaranteed the disabled worker an income during his period of disability. A very sensible and decent allowance to the injured worker is this proposal, one that gives the employer an opportunity to demonstrate genuine respect and concern for his human machinery!

In another hundred years civilization will have reached all peoples except those that have no resources worth stealing.

## Labor Attack Smokescreen For Monopoly

Los Angeles, Calif.

"The real purpose of Senator Ball's bill to outlaw industry-wide bargaining and confine union activities to a 100-mile radius is to create a smoke screen which will divert public attention from the menace of business monopoly," AFL attorney Robert W. Gilbert told radio listeners in a recent broadcast here.

Gilbert, who is legal advisor to the Los Angeles Central Labor Council, debated the merits of Senate Bill 133 against employer attorney Carl M. Gould, prominent figure in the current wave of injunction suits against Los Angeles unions, and Assistant Professor F. L. Graham of the industrial relations faculty of the University of Southern California, in a one-hour "Open Forum" program over station KMPC.

### MONOPOLY AT PEAK

The labor lawyer cited authoritative government reports of the Small Business Committees of the Senate and House to show that trust-forming tendencies have reached an all time high. He revealed how the National Association of Manufacturers is suppressing the true facts about corporate power, while accusing organized labor wrongly of "monopolistic abuses." Gilbert charged that George E. Meredith, former associate director of public relations for the NAM, has been appointed Executive Director of the Senate Small Business Committee to hush up evidence of monopoly which may be presented to that investigating body.

He quoted with approval from a speech made last week by liberal Republican Senator Wayne L. Morse of Oregon warning that "America may awaken one day to find that the heart of the American system has been eaten away by the cancerous growth of monopoly and concentration of economic power."

## Veterans Take It On Chin On Housing Units

Chicago, Illinois  
Homeless veterans got another kick in the teeth when Natl. Housing Expediter Frank R. Creeden announced increased ceilings on new apartment projects in the Chicago and New York areas.

The new policy, effective immediately, sets rents as high as \$32 a room monthly plus service charges. It will permit rentals of as much as \$160 a month plus service charges for new 5-room apartments, almost double the former ceiling which averaged \$80 a month.

Disclosure of the new rent ceilings was made at the Natl. Assn. of Home Builders convention, which is pressuring for the removal of all controls on building. Creeden said he had boosted the rents to encourage new construction. Only encouragement given to veterans was the privilege of having first call on the new apartments, although it was conceded that because of the price non-veteran families would probably comprise the majority of tenants.

## New Government Pamphlet Tells Crimes of Nazis

Washington, D. C.  
Unionists interested in a historical document outlining the full meaning of the United Nations' war against Hitler Germany can get it in the complete official text of the Nurnberg verdicts, now available in booklet form.

The book can be bought by mail for 45 cents in paper pamphlet edition, or \$1.25 for the clothbound edition, from the Superintendent of Documents, Govt. Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

It gives the opinions of the four allied powers in each of the cases of 25 top Nazi criminals, as well as the findings of guilt with respect to the Gestapo, SS, and leadership corps of the Nazi party.

Of particular interest is the sole dissent of Soviet Judge I. T. Nikitchenko in the acquittal of Hjalmar Schacht and Franz von Papen, since sentenced to hard labor by a German denazification court.

## Disabled Placed In Many Jobs

(Release from State Fed. of Labor)  
San Francisco, Calif.  
A total of 43,200 disabled persons were placed in gainful employment in the fiscal year ended July 1, 1946, through the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, Administrator Watson B. Miller of the Federal Security Agency announces in a year-end report to Congress.

According to this report, approximately 20 per cent of the "rehabilitants" were placed on jobs as mechanics, watchmakers, jewelers, and in other skilled occupations; 17 per cent as clerks, general office workers, stenographers, bookkeepers, and in kindred clerical classifications; 15 per cent in semi-skilled occupations; 14 per cent in service occupations, and 9 per cent in unskilled jobs; 9 per cent as teachers, accountants, draftsmen, and in other professional and semi-professional positions; 16 per cent in managerial, sales and related positions, and as farmers, farm laborers and unpaid family workers.

The Administrator anticipates that 150,000 handicapped persons will be rehabilitated into gainful employment within one year. FSA's vocational and rehabilitation function is authorized through the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1920 and the Barden-LaFollette Amendments (Public Law 113). Veterans eligible for GI benefits are not eligible for rehabilitation under the Barden-LaFollette Amendments.

## Krasnesky Death Big Labor Loss

(Release from State Fed. of Labor)  
San Francisco, Calif.  
Frank Krasnesky, Vice President of the California State Federation of Labor from District No. 4, passed away recently as the result of double pneumonia.

In addition to being vice-president of the Federation, he was vice-president of the San Pedro Central Labor Council and business representative of Local 551, covering Orange County, San Pedro, Long Beach, Santa Monica, Inglewood and adjacent territory, of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters Union, UNION PALMBEARS.

The interment was at Forest Lawn, Glendale, with Reverend Oscar J. Nurse officiating. Members of the Butchers Union and other officials of the labor movement were pallbearers, and the funeral was attended by several hundred officials and members of the labor movement in Los Angeles and Orange County.

Frank Krasnesky, who was 61 years old at the time of his death, had spent 40 of those years in serving labor. His passing will be seriously mourned by the members of the California State Federation of Labor and by his hosts of friends throughout the entire labor movement in California.

## NATION-WIDE TELEPHONE ORGANIZATION GETS GOING

Washington, D. C.  
With a total of 31 of the 49 member unions of the Natl. Federation of Telephone Workers (unaffiliated) applying for charters in the new Communications Workers of America (unaffiliated), the launching of the CWA has been officially announced by the parent organization.

The new organization is headed by Pres. Joseph A. Belme of the NFWU and expects to call a constitutional convention within a few weeks.

With representation in each of the 48 states and the District of Columbia, NFWU reported that only two locals rejected the proposal to join CWA: Maryland Federation of Telephone Workers and the Maryland Traffic Union. Referees are not yet completed by NFWU affiliates in New York (upstate), Illinois, Michigan, Kentucky and Ohio.

The CWA is being formed to replace the loosely federated NFWU with its autonomous unions and to build a closely knit national union for the industry. The parent organization recently rejected proposals to affiliate with the AFL or CIO. It will begin operations in between its constitutional convention and June 10.

## Unicameral Legislature Aim of Bill

Sacramento, Calif.

A single-house legislature, with membership allocated on the basis of population and geographical location, is proposed in a constitutional amendment submitted to the state legislature by Assemblyman Glenn M. Anderson, of Hawthorne, representing the 46th District.

The measure would cut the present number of state assemblymen in half, from 80 to 40, but would retain the present 40 Senate memberships, providing a unicameral session of 80 members in one house instead of the 120 membership in the present Senate and Assembly. The assemblymen and senators would retain their titles but would each be entitled to only one vote in the combined session.

### CHANGES DISTRICTS

The bill, Assembly Constitutional Amendment No. 25, which has been referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, would adhere to the present method of selecting senators except that any county having more than 250,000 population would be entitled to another senator. It would also provide that no senatorial district shall contain less than 50,000 population.

It also provides that the assembly districts be reapportioned on a population basis based on 40 members instead of 80 with the apportionment being as nearly equal as possible.

## Rail Unions To Unite in Quest Of 30-Cent Hike

San Francisco, Calif.  
United nationwide action by all the railroad brotherhoods to win a 30c hourly wage increase was recommended here by the Western Committee for Railroad Unity.

The two-day conference, attended by 123 delegates representing 17 rail unions, also planned a fight against anti-labor legislation and called on the AFL, CIO and railroad brotherhoods to meet at the earliest possible date to take joint action.

"Recent strikes have shown us that we must unite not only on the economic but on the legislative front," Sec. Chris J. Radovan said. He denied that the program of the unity committee was dual unionism. "The rank-and-file workers are in sympathy with any national program which will better their standard of living," he asserted.

Besides Radovan's election as secretary, Henry C. Barri of the Intl. Assn. of Machinists (unaffiliated) was elected permanent chairman and L. T. Fulton of the Bro. of Railroad Trainmen (unaffiliated) vice-chairman.

A continuations committee of delegates from all the unions represented was elected. Resolutions adopted by the conference will be presented to local and national unions for approval.

The economic program also called for portal-to-portal provisions in all future contracts, a 40-hour week, a 10c hourly night differential, seven paid holidays, three-week vacations after five years, overtime pay for Saturdays and Sundays and standardized wages for all lines.

All rail unionists were urged to flood Congress with postcards, petitions and telegrams opposing pending anti-labor legislation and local unions were asked to "prepare to send delegates to Washington."

## Women's Trade Union League Meets in May

Washington, D. C.  
Pres. Rose Schneiderman and Sec.-Treas. Elisabeth Christman have issued the call for the 13th convention of the Natl. Women's Trade Union League here May 19-22.

Members, affiliated leagues, national committees and affiliated national trade unions are asked to attend the convention because "never before has there been a greater need for teamwork in building a dynamic labor program."

The call said American women must decide how to increase union membership, participate in their own union activities effectively, build sound labor and social legislation on every level and inform the public about labor issues.

## Tradesmen Urge Bridge, Highways

Endorsement of the state's new highway program, request for quick construction of the new bay crossing, and urging of liberal Federal appropriations for construction of high-level dam features of the Central Valley project were highlights of the 33rd convention of the State AFL Building and Construction Trades Council meeting in San Francisco last week.



FRANK C. MACDONALD

Frank MacDonald, veteran president of the state trades body, was re-elected, as was Sam J. Donohue of Alameda County as secretary-treasurer. Delegates heard greetings and congratulations from a number of guest speakers and acted on a wide variety of matters of importance to the thousands of AFL building tradesmen in California.

### Few Job Stops

The convention heard reports which stated that there were fewer building trades work stoppages in California during the war than in any other state. It went on record as endorsing the no-strike agreement recently signed by builders' associations and the AFL Building Trades Department.

District vice-presidents elected were: H. E. Albers for Alameda County, Paul Reeves for Fresno, J. A. Webster for Humboldt, Clyde E. Vinyard for Los Angeles, Geo. R. Scott for Marin, Lloyd D. Long for Monterey, Louis A. Buck for Napa, Frank A. Lawrence for Sacramento, Watkins Gironi for San Francisco, Wm. Roberts for Butte, Al C. Clem for Contra Costa, Geo. W. Gilkerson for San Diego, H. L. Jones for San Joaquin, C. E. Brown for San Luis Obispo, Edw. Brady for Santa Mateo, R. C. Wokurka for Santa Barbara, James B. Mann for Santa Cruz, Al Green for Stanislaus, Henry Nolte for Eldorado, Sonoma, Nevada; Victor F. Reese for Ventura, Cliff A. Kingsbury for Yuba-Sutter, and Placer, Carl Sparks for Tulare.

### Million, State AFL

Daniel Del Carlo, president of the San Francisco Council, Neil Haggerty, secretary of the State Federation of Labor, and Dan Flanagan, west coast AFL representative, addressed delegates at the opening session. John F. Dalton, chief of the State Division of Labor Law Enforcement and former AFL Typographical Union head, said AFL membership in the state passed the million mark during the war, of which 225,000 were women. Telling of his department's work, he said many independent contractors and subcontractors have entered the field and it has been found necessary to license them. He urged strong unity as the only solution to labor's problems.

Bro. MacDonald reported on the eight-year period and its many accomplishments, since the last convention of the state council. He declared the United Nations' program rests primarily upon a labor foundation and the four freedoms.

### Big Central Valley

"Unemployment is on the increase," he said. "Depression may sweep this nation in the next two years. We have more apprentices in the building trades of California than in any other state. We have welcomed returning veterans as apprentices. It is estimated that \$1,800,000,000 will be spent on our Central Valley project and that it will employ 8000 people continuously for at least 15 years. This will include carpenters, cement workers, engineers, laborers, and many others."

He spoke of the 4000 or more bills introduced in the legislature saying, "Many of these aim to deprive labor of long-established rights. Some deserve support. Most of them must be defeated or amended."

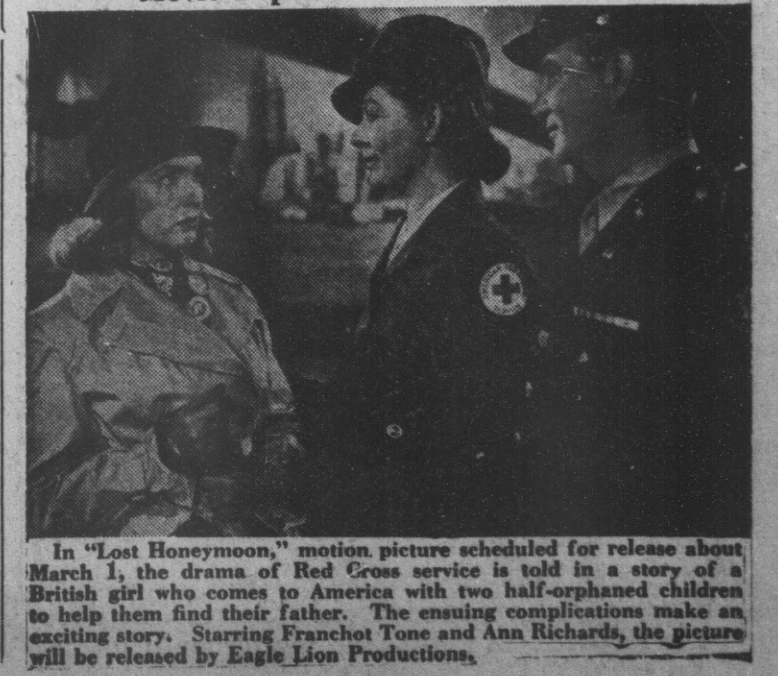
"Prefabricated houses are a menace to your jobs. Also in most cases they are a menace to life."

Reports from the various vice-presidents showed conditions in good shape throughout the districts, with very few building mechanics unemployed at the present time and a great amount of work planned ahead for as soon as material can be secured.

Bro. Joseph Casey, AFL organizer, and Paul Scharrenberg, veteran AFL labor leader and head of the Department of Industrial Relations, and P. H. McCarthy Jr., chief counsel for the state council, addressed the delegates on the closing day.

Next convention of the State Building Trades Council will be held when and where the council's executive board decides it will be needed. With the changing state and national picture it was felt wise to leave this decision in the hands of the board so that the time and place of a convention could be most appropriately and most effectively chosen.

### Movie Depicts Drama of Red Cross



In "Lost Honeymoon," motion picture scheduled for release about March 1, the drama of Red Cross service is told in a story of a British girl who comes to America with two half-orphaned children to help them find their father. The ensuing complications make an exciting story. Starring Franchot Tone and Ann Richards, the picture will be released by Eagle Lion Productions.



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## The Labor Editor Speaks

## DARK DAYS AHEAD?

Fritz Sternberg has written several solid books devoted to social and economic analysis and he has a reputation for hitting the nail on the head most of the time. His latest, published by the John Day Company of New York, is "The Coming Crisis." Mr. Sternberg makes some challenging statements and we boil some of them down here:

Until 35 years ago our economic depressions were self-healing in the long run, but by about 1913 or so the situation changed. The crash in 1929 was different and still had not been straightened out at the beginning of World War II.

We have just come out of the second World War with vastly increased productive capacity and, although this holds promise, it also means that "the factors making for economic crisis are tremendously intensified." Mr. Sternberg says that foreign trade cannot absorb even 10 per cent of this increased capacity, and unless the big corporations that dominate the country permit real wages to go up from 30 to 40 per cent, the potential output cannot be absorbed at home.

With this as a premise, Sternberg predicts that another crisis will confront us before many years have rolled by and that, if trends are not reversed, it will be at least as bad as the 1929 "bust." He adds that "in the United States, as in all other countries, we are now faced with a decisive transformation of the functions of the state. . . . The more the state intervenes in economic affairs, is compelled to intervene as a result of intensifying social antagonisms, the more big business will have to fight to obtain direct influence on the state. Thus in the coming epoch . . . the class struggle will be fought primarily to secure direct influence on the state, and this will become the decisive political and economic battlefield in the U. S. A."

Such conditions, he declares, will encourage the growth of an American variant of fascism. He adds that, as the crisis approaches, big business will force the country into heavy preparations for war as a "cure" for depression.

All this may strike you as one man's speculation, but when you review the forces at work in our society, you cannot dismiss it lightly. One thing is sure: The powers that be are bitterly resisting (and, so far, very successfully) all efforts to raise mass purchasing power (real wages) to consume the output of our stepped-up productive capacity. This must eventually result in depression. As an antidote, an effort will be made to capture world markets and dominate foreign economies. This means more cartel agreements, use of loans to prevent basic reforms in other countries. Even now we are engaging in this sort of thing. Eventually it might develop into a full-fledged imperialism, and this could furnish the sparks to touch off World War III.

In our opinion, the greatest service that Organized Labor could perform for the country would be to force a radical upward revision of real wages. Yet at a time when Labor should be free to do this, legislation designed to cripple collective bargaining is being adopted by many states, and Congress is considering federal legislation of like nature. It seems to us that this is the way to get nowhere fast.

## TO HIM WHO HATH

So far as income taxes are concerned, there seems to be one law for the rich and another for the poor. If you are wealthy, there are a dozen and one legal shenanigans you can pull to escape your just share of the nation's tax load. If you are an average wage-earner, there are no tricks—your taxes are collected at the source, and that's the end of it. Someone figured out that a man whose income for 1946 was \$236,000 (on which he is supposed to pay a \$180,000 income tax) can take advantage of a lot of legal loopholes so that his income tax rate actually amounts to only 16 per cent—this compared to the 17 per cent tax rate paid by the \$45-a-week wage-earner. Well, it's your own fault, you profligate proletarians; if you'd saved your money and worked hard you, too, would be making \$236,000 a year—so there!

## DANGER SIGNAL

Monopoly business is inherently fascist. The "corporate state" of Italy, the cartel-backed regime of Hitler in Germany, the rule of the Zaibatsu in Japan, the industrialist-supported Falangism of Franco Spain, the variation of a corporation-controlled economy planned by Vichy France—all these provide the pattern. Some day, if monopoly is permitted to become powerful enough, we will face the same problem in the United States.

Now that the Poles have failed to conduct their election as such things are conducted in Georgia, no doubt our State Department will withdraw recognition.

## Cenerazzo Says He's Leader Of Labor; What Do You Think? Huh?

Washington, D. C.  
 Pres. Walter W. Cenerazzo of the American Watch Workers Union (unaffiliated) made it crystal clear why the AFL executive council turned down his appeal for a charter at its recent Miami meeting.

Testifying before the Senate Labor Committee, Cenerazzo called on Congress "to regulate labor relations in the public interest" by: (1) amending the Wagner Act to prevent industry-wide collective bargaining, (2) giving federal mediators power of subpoena over labor and management, and (3) specifying constitutional provisions in international unions and locals must adopt.

Attacking the national union leaders who had preceded him as "the House of Lords of the American labor movement," Cenerazzo said: "By the very nature of the positions they hold, William Green and Philip Murray are disqualified from giving you their honest, truthful opinion publicly of what they believe would bring about permanent industrial peace in America."

Communists, he said, should be thrown out of the labor movement by law, and he said that should go for men "who follow the party line, whether they are members of the Communist party or not."

Sen. Joseph H. Ball (R., Minn.), author of much anti-labor legislation being considered by the committee, protested mildly that Cenerazzo's anti-Communist program would mean "that you virtually would have to suspend certain basic civil liberties if you go after the Communists."

But Ball complimented Cenerazzo on "the most constructive statement we have yet from a union leader."



"You little fools!" exclaimed Mr. Dilworth. "Don't you realize YOU are the ones who'll suffer if the Errand Boys & Mamma's Little Helpers go on strike?"

"To tell the truth, I hadn't," Little Luther admitted. "I still don't." "Look at it this way," said Mr. Dilworth. "You get \$1 a week. So do the other 500 members of your union. That's \$500 a week. Let's say the strike lasts ten weeks before you come crawling back. That will be \$5000 you'll lose."

"But oh, father, we won't come crawling back," said Little Luther. "Nonsense!" said Mr. Dilworth. "We parents have already seen the editors of both papers in this town, and we're set to give it to you."

"You'll give us everything but a raise, won't you?" asked Little Luther.

"Right!" said Mr. Dilworth. "I can just see the headlines," Little Luther mused. "City Threatened With Epidemic, Pigs Face Starvation as Garbage Piles Up in Homes. Well, if the pigs really get worried, I can tell them where to get a lot of garbage . . . all they have to do is pick up a paper and eat it."

"It's a free press," Mr. Dilworth pointed out.

"And they'll get free indignation from it, too," said Little Luther. "The papers will have a swell time. Ten Million Tons of Ashes Unmoved; Boys Lose \$5000 Already. I can just see those stories."

"Well, aren't you ready to give up, then, before you lose all that money?" Mr. Dilworth demanded.

"First place," said Little Luther, "I won't be losing \$5000. I'll be losing \$10 if I lose anything. Second place, I won't be losing it, because you'll still have those ashes to move out, and if I don't move them out this month, I'll move them out two months from now. One thing I'm sure—you're too lazy to move them out yourself. Did you run your plant when the men struck last year?"

"Let's not mention that painful episode," Mr. Dilworth said sharply. "And besides, when we settle this strike," said Little Luther, "we're going to have a provision for overtime. So I'll probably get \$15 for moving out that \$10 worth of ashes. Put that in your pipe and smoke it."

"Are you sure if I do," Mr. Dilworth begged, "that it will leave no ashes?"

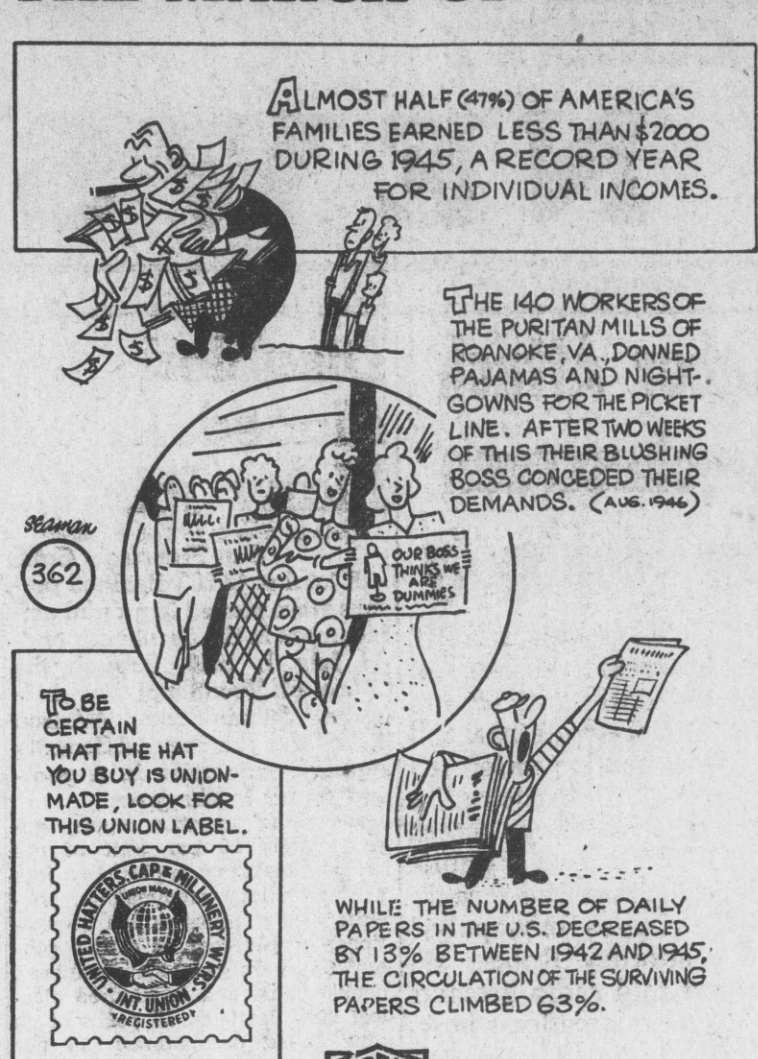
## Started Something

The Italian fruit vendor was being examined for his first citizenship papers. He was getting along fine until the examiner asked: "How many states are there in the United States?"

"Looks, Mister," was the reply. "You knowa you big; I knowa mine. You aska me how many states. I aska you right back: How many bananas in a bunch?"

Some people are similar to a small business, where the entire merchandise is displayed in the show window.

## THE MARCH OF LABOR



THE INTELLECTUAL ADVENTURE OF ANCIENT MAN, by H. and H. A. Frankfort, John A. Wilson, Thorold Jacobsen and William A. Irwin. Published by The University of Chicago Press, 6750 Ellis Avenue, Chicago 37, Illinois. Price \$4.00.

This is a scholarly, fascinating work. Twelve lectures delivered by the above-mentioned authors at the Division of the Humanities of the University of Chicago on thought processes and systems of philosophy evolved by the ancient Egyptians, Mesopotamians and Hebrews constitute the book. You can't just read a volume like this—you have to study it. I have only dipped into it here and there, but I've read enough to know that the following statement of the publishers on the jacket is as good a "review" as can be printed. Here it is:

"To primitive man the world was teeming with life. Even the thunderclap, the sudden shadow, the eerie and unknown clearing in the wood, the stone which suddenly hurt him when he stumbled were living things."

"The river ran dry, said ancient man, because it refused to run. It rained because the gigantic bird Imduq covered the sky with the black storm clouds of its wings and devoured the Bull of Heaven, whose hot breath had scorched the crops. In such stories and myths ancient man explained all the more important aspects of nature and of his own life—physical, intellectual, and emotional."

"Yet though his conception of the world was different from our own, the questions which plagued him were universal and eternal. Here is the story of his search for truth—a search which began with the pre-scientific attitude toward a mysterious 'humanized' world, and which moved with grandeur and courage toward the achievement of pure intellectual thought."

"Beginning with the Egyptians, whose thinking was profoundly influenced by the miraculous daily rebirth of the sun and the annual rebirth of the river Nile, the authors show the gay and lusty Egyptians who thought self-consciously about himself and his universe, a cosmos which he pictured in terms of his own experience."

"Passing on to Mesopotamia, the authors find the mood of civilization marked by a deep belief that the center and meaning of existence lay in intangible powers ruling the universe; where even the stars, moon and stones were citizens of a cosmic state. There the outstanding virtues were obedience and submission."

and the good life held a promise, not a certainty, of tangible reward.

"The third culture which the authors explore is that of the Hebrews, who profoundly influenced the course of human life and to whom we owe a large part of our common knowledge of today. Rooted and molded in the cultures of the ancient East, Israel transcended prevailing mythopoeic thought but was not herself free from creating a new myth—the myth of the will of God. It remained for the Greeks with their peculiar intellectual courage to discover a realm of speculative thought in which myth was overcome."

"This book, marked by its direct and fresh approach and including special translations of many ancient texts, is a valuable contribution by five Oriental Institute scholars to our knowledge of ancient man's spiritual life. It is also a fascinating revelation of the development of philosophy from myth to logic."

## —AL SESSIONS

WAR OR PEACE? By Scott Nearing. Published by the Island Press, 470 West 24th Street, New York 11, N. Y. Price, cloth \$2.00, paper \$1.00.

Scott Nearing, veteran economist and famed as one of our most astute observers of the international scene, recently visited the Pacific Coast on a cross-country lecture tour to discuss the topic of war in a series of addresses. This compact, thought-provoking volume summarizes his views on the subject and is required reading for those who wish to understand the forces behind conflict. The book covers seven general subjects: "The War Pattern," "Who Makes War?", "The Economy of War," "War and Politics," "The Sociology of War," "The Morality of War" and "Shall We Make War or Peace?"

"War or Peace" is one of a series of works by Nearing put out by Island Press under the general title of "Social Science Handbooks." If you are not acquainted with Nearing's works, I suggest that you write Island Press. (You can get them in the paper editions for \$1.) Among them are "Democracy Is Not Enough," "United World," "The Tragedy of Empire" and "The Soviet Union as a World Power."

Make no mistake about it—Scott Nearing is one of the lucid minds of our time, and if more people were familiar with his writings the prospect for peace would be brighter.

## —AL SESSIONS

## BOB-SLEDDING IN GERMANY



American Red Cross Photo  
 Red Cross recreation staffs have found bob-sledding a favorite sport of G.I.s of the 29th Regiment and Constabulary in Germany. A heavy snow always brings out a crowd. When you give to the Red Cross, you send a bit of American fun to the men overseas.

## GIGGLES AND GROANS

## REAL COMPLICATIONS

A woman social worker called on a poverty-stricken housewife with a brood of dirty, hungry children and a drunken husband. A woman-to-woman talk ensued, during which the poor mother unfolded her miserable story—hunger and privation, two boys headed for the reform school, and a drunken husband who loafed and stole the rent money.

To make the unfortunate woman more comfortable, the social worker had confided a few minor details of her own personal life, including the fact that she was a spinster.

Hearing of her visitor's unmarried state, the housewife was filled with pity and compassion. "Oh, deary," she sobbed, "I can feel for you. Ain't it hell to be an old maid?"

## STELLAR ATTRACTION

An old lady who was about to die asked her niece to bury her in the best black dress she owned.

"But cut the back out," she added, "and make yourself a dress out of it."

"Oh, no," said the niece, "I don't want to do that. When you and my uncle walk up the golden stairs I wouldn't want people to say you didn't have a dress with a back in it."

"They won't be looking at me," replied the old lady. "I buried your uncle without his pants."

## NEVER TOO MANY

Ralph Edwards, learning that radio producer Herb Moss and Mrs. Moss had a baby son named John Eric, wired them:

"Congratulations. You can always use another John around the house."

## DAMNED FOR SEWAGES

The woman rushed into the marriage license bureau one morning. Almost out of breath and clutching in her hand the familiar document, she angrily demanded:

"Did you—or did you not—issue this license—yesterday—for marryin' me—to Jefferson Briggs?"

The registrar examined the marriage license carefully and admitted that he had indeed issued the document.

"Well!" blazed the woman, "what are you going to do about it? He's escaped!"

## SAMPLING PREFERRED

"Has he ever spoken to you about marriage?" inquired the friend of the family.

"Only indirectly," confessed the ingenue. "He said the only reason he never smokes a pipe is because he could never try it before he bought it."

## A BALANCED DIET

When the fleet visited a small college town, the officers planned a dance. The officer in charge sent a young naval officer to the girls' school with the Admiral's compliments and a request to the director to allow some of the students to attend the dance.

The director thanked the officer for the invitation and said she would allow a dozen of her best and most trustworthy students to attend.

The naval officer hesitated a moment. "Would it be possible," he asked finally, "to send half a dozen of that kind and half a dozen of the other?"

## THE INCENTIVE

"Well, Jerry has finally married that terrible redhead."

"My, my, what got into him?"

"Buckshot."

## KNOW HER OBJECTIVE

"The idea! Accepting gifts from a strange man. You don't know what you're getting into," stormed the mother.

And the daughter replied, "Yes, I do; a mink coat."

## PROOF ON PAPER

"Faw, my teacher told me I was illiterate," announced the Arkansas lad.

"The heck she did," snorted the irate parent. "Well, you just take your birth certificate to school with you tomorrow and show her you ain't."

## VERY PROBABLY

He gazed admiringly at the beautiful but extremely revealing dress of the leading chorine in a rather risqué show.

"Who made her dress?" he asked his companion.

"I'm not sure, but I think it was the police."

## KNOW HIS STUFF

Little Willie was sent out to bring in the kittens. His father, hearing a shrill meowing, called out: "Don't hurt the kittens, Willie."

"I won't," Willie said, "I'm carrying them very careful by their stems."

## World's Shortest Joke

TAILOR: "Euripedes?"  
 OWNER: "Eurimedes?"

Scripps-Howard "economists" advise that what's needed is not pay raises but cuts in prices. Will the newspapers lead the procession?

## Labor Knows . . . . . Redfield



## IT'S A LIE!

By MARTY SOLOW

The Wagner act was "passed to diminish the causes of labor disputes" and remove "sources of industrial strife. . . . In the 12 years since the Wagner act reached the statute books, the number of labor disputes resulting in strikes, and the magnitude and cost of industrial strife far have exceeded anything known before."

Sound familiar? It's the line followed by the vast majority of the commercial press in the widespread drive to destroy labor's bill of rights. That particular quote is from the labor-loving (?) Scripps-Howard New York World Telegram, Feb. 18.

BUT IT'S A LIE! A few facts: The Wagner Act was NOT designed to diminish the causes of ALL labor disputes. It was designed SOLELY to cope with disputes arising from union recognition and unfair labor practices.

Actually, strikes in the area covered by the act have declined. In the year following V-J Day, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, 129 million man-days were lost due to labor disputes and of these, 103 million man-days were lost in strikes over WAGES and HOURS—which the WAGNER Act DOES NOT cover.

## PUBLIC IS RIGHT!

A gent by the name of Harold Brayman who works for duPont's, among America's wealthiest monopolists, made a speech recently. He was worried. Seems, reported the New York Herald Tribune on Feb. 16, this gent felt the public had a "wide and flourishing set of misapprehensions and misunderstandings of business." For example:

The public believes: "A few big corporations dominate all economic life. . . . A fraction of the population holds 99 per cent of the wealth."

Well, Brayman—the public is right! Here are the facts. Congressional report on the United States versus Concentration and Monopoly discloses that the "premonopoly" of economic power in the U.S. constitutes today's greatest domestic challenge to the American theory of competitive enterprise. Furthermore, other congressional reports have revealed that eight groups of bankers control 106 of the largest 250 corporations, that one-tenth of one per cent of all corporations owned 52 per cent of the total corporate assets in 1939.

And while a fraction of the population doesn't yet hold 99 per cent of the wealth, Mr. Brayman, we're getting there. A survey by the Bureau of Agricultural Eco-

nomics last year disclosed that the top 10 per cent income group in the country already owns 60 per cent of its assets.

## Catholic Priest, Union Head Back Closed Shop At Senate Hearing

Washington, D.C.

A Catholic priest and an AFL union president upheld the closed shop in testimony before the Senate Labor Committee, with the Rev. Dr. Jerome Toner being congratulated by Sen. James E. Murray (D., Mont.) for offering "the best evidence this committee has heard."

Father Toner is professor of labor relations at St. Martin's College, Lacey, Wash., and blasted the case of those who claim that because the closed shop is prohibited under the railway labor act, it is unnecessary for labor.

The witness said "the seniority rule, rather than the open shop, gives security to over one million railroad workers." He also denied that the closed shop and the yellow dog contract are based on the same premise. The yellow dog contract, he said, "is a case where the employer has a right to say that workers remain out of a union as a condition of employment." The closed shop permits democracy to work by action of the majority in a plant.

Pres. Joseph V. Moreschi of the Intl. Hod Carriers Building & Common Laborers Union (AFL) appeared as a witness with Gen. Counsel Vincent F. Morreale reading his testimony. There were no questions when the text was concluded as to anti-labor bills, but Sen. Robert A. Taft (R., O.) and Sen. Joseph H. Ball (R., Minn.) closely quizzed Morreale on a series of federal indictments against the union's national and local officers in New York City and Washington.

The only kind of night life the old-fashioned girl knew was the kind she sprayed with roach powder.

## NOW HE'LL COMPLETE SCHOOLING



An excellent seamstress, this veteran's wife will take on sewing jobs for the girls in the college her husband is attending. The suggestion was made by a Red Cross Home Service worker whom the couple sought out for "budget" advice when they became discouraged over increased living costs.

American Red Cross Photo



## Unions After Welfare Fund In Contracts

Washington, D. C. Welfare funds and health benefits are destined to play a role of increasing importance in labor contract negotiations, the February issue of the Labor Dept.'s Monthly Labor Review states.

The magazine contains two articles on the subject, one a general roundup of plans now in existence and the second a discussion of the Intl. Ladies Garment Workers Union (AFL)'s long experience in this field. Copies are available from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D. C., at 30 cents each.

### MOVEMENT GROWING

"The increasing importance of welfare funds is generally accepted," the magazine says, pointing to evidence of concern over workers health plans as a bargaining factor on the part of some sections of management, the medical profession and the public at large, in addition to the unions.

Pointing out that most funds are financed by two per cent or three per cent payroll taxes on employers, the Review states: "Postwar conditions may put a new emphasis not so much on welfare funds but on their financing." Some 1,250,000 workers in 1946 were covered by some form of union-negotiated health benefit plan, a gain of 50 per cent over 1945.

### EXPERIENCE DESCRIBED

The ILGWU experience is described by Sec. Treas. Nathaniel Minkoff of the Dressmakers Joint Board in New York, starting with a \$1-per-member tuberculosis fund inaugurated after the big New York cloakmakers' strike of 1910. Today, Minkoff writes, the ILGWU boasts a union health center in a 27-story building, which in 1945 handled 28,000 patients and 12,000 disability cases among the 150,000 union members in the area.

"Unions," Minkoff says, "have entered the field of social welfare out of sheer necessity. The attitude of some employers with respect to the health and welfare of their workers and the past inadequacy of governmental plans left them no other course."

Repartee: What a man thinks of on the way home.

## The Kandy Korn



That's how the boys at the Paramount studios describe svelte Audrey Korn. And the office wag adds, "This Korn ain't corn." (Federated Pictures)

## Candid Camera Puts An End to Scabbing

Portland, Oregon Candid cameras proved more effective than picket banners here in deterring would-be customers from going through the picketline at Goss Bros. Frozen Food Lockers. Goss Bros. was placed on the unfair list some time ago by the AFL Building Trades Council because the management hired non-union carpenters at scab wages for a remodeling job. Women, however, continued to flock into the frozen food emporium until the union hit on the plan of snapping all scabpatronizers' pictures for posterity. That stopped 'em colder than a chilled mackerel.

Frustration comes from not getting your way or from getting it and finding it's no good.

Acetylene welding was first introduced into the United States in 1902.

## Living Costs Down? There's Catch to It!

Washington, D. C. The consumers price index issued monthly by the Labor Dept.'s Bureau of Labor Statistics shows a mid-December to mid-January drop of one-tenth of one per cent, but look out—there's a catch to it.

Issued Feb. 27, the latest index is headlined: "January Consumers Price Decline 0.1% After 10-Months Continuous Advance." At first glance it looks pretty good, giving the impression that our profit-inspired inflation has been checked and better times for the consumer are almost here.

### A QUEER "REDUCTION"

A second look at the index, however, shows the following interesting facts:

1. Among the six items making up the index, four showed an increase during the month, namely clothing, fuel, housefurnishings and miscellaneous expenses. Rent, the fifth item, was not surveyed.

2. Food was the only item that dropped, but the 1.1 per cent decline here was confined to three out of its eight subdivisions. Prices rose on cereals and bakery products, meat, fruit and vegetables, beverages and sugar.

3. The three foods which dropped in price, lowering the food index enough to offset by a whisker the steady price rises in all other items in the consumer index were—dairy products, eggs, and fats and oils.

With the exception of these three items, then, consumer prices continued their steady climb upward. SOME HIDDEN COSTS

The overall price index furnished by BLS, with all its imperfections, stood Jan. 15 some 55.3% above the August, 1939 figure, just before the war in Europe started. It rose 17.9% in the past year.

BLS, in releasing the report, repeated its warning that the index does not reveal fully such living cost factors as lowered quality, disappearance of low-priced goods, forced changes in housing and eating away from home. These factors have been estimated by the President's Committee on the Cost of Living in 1944 as making a hidden increase in the cost of living of 3 to 4%.

He serves his union best who uses union services!

## Labor Council Extends Aid to Paroled Men

San Francisco, Calif. The San Francisco Central Labor Council has named a committee to discuss with the State Adult Authority further cooperation in obtaining jobs for convicts paroled from San Quentin.

Union efforts have helped rehabilitate a number of these men, but the unions claim that Authority officials have been "over-zealous" in notifying employers of their new workers' prison records.

## O'Konski Goes Out to Save Us From Disaster

Washington, D. C. Rep. Alvin O'Konski (R., Wis.) has been elected national president of the American Anti-Communist Assn., succeeding George H. Earle, former governor of Pennsylvania, who resigned because of the pressure of outside interests. O'Konski's voting record on labor measures is practically 100 per cent "anti."

## Behncke Air Pilots' Head for Ninth Term

Chicago, Illinois The ninth annual convention of the Air Line Pilots Assn. (ALP) here re-elected David L. Behncke to his ninth successive term as union president.

Jerry Wood of New York was elected vice president, succeeding Orvis Nelson of Burbank, Calif. Warren Malvick of Chicago was re-elected treasurer and Ray B. Andrews was elected secretary, succeeding Larry Harris of Wichita, Kan. Sixteen regional vice presidents were also elected.

The convention was attended by 100 delegates representing 7000 members.

## How Wars Start

WIFE: "What is the difference, George, between a sigh, an auto, and a donkey?"

HUBBY: "I give up."

WIFE: "A sigh is, 'Oh, dear,' and an auto is too dear."

HUBBY: "What's a donkey?"

WIFE: "You, dear!"

## Seemed That Way

At a rural funeral the other day the grim-faced, bewhiskered pastor stunned his audience.

In the course of a lengthy tribute he paused, bent over the wreaths of flowers, pointed to the draped casket below the sacred desk, and with lowered voice and exceedingly solemn face observed: "Ladies and gentlemen, dearly beloved of the Lord"—and he thrust his finger downward—"this corpse was a member of our church for 20 years."

## That Fixed Him!

A pupil was having trouble with punctuation and was being called down by the teacher.

"Never mind, sonny," said a visiting school board president, consolingly. "It's foolish to bother about commas. They don't amount to much, anyway."

"Elizabeth Ann," said the teacher quietly to a small girl in the class, "please write this sentence on the board: 'The president of the board says the teacher is misinformed.' Now," she continued, "put a comma after 'board' and another after 'teacher!'"

## Altmeyer on Leave For Aid to Refugees

Washington, D. C. Social Security Commissioner Arthur J. Altmeyer has been granted a leave of absence for several months to act as executive secretary of the preparatory commission for the Intl. Refugee Organization of the United Nations, it was announced.

Altmeyer, a leader in U. S. social security activities since their start in the first administration of Franklin D. Roosevelt, was unanimously selected for the post by representatives of 11 countries. IRO will deal with the problems of refugees and displaced persons, of whom there are almost a million still in Europe.

## Corpuscular Comeback

When John Shelton arrived at producer Stanley Rubin's house the other night, Rubin told him that the Red Cross wanted him on the phone.

"What could the Red Cross want with me?" asked Shelton.

"Maybe," said Rubin, "your blood bounced."

## Bill Prevents Collection of Portal Claims

Washington, D. C. Legislation designed to outlaw almost all portal-to-portal pay claims won approval in the Senate judiciary committee by a 9 to 3 vote.

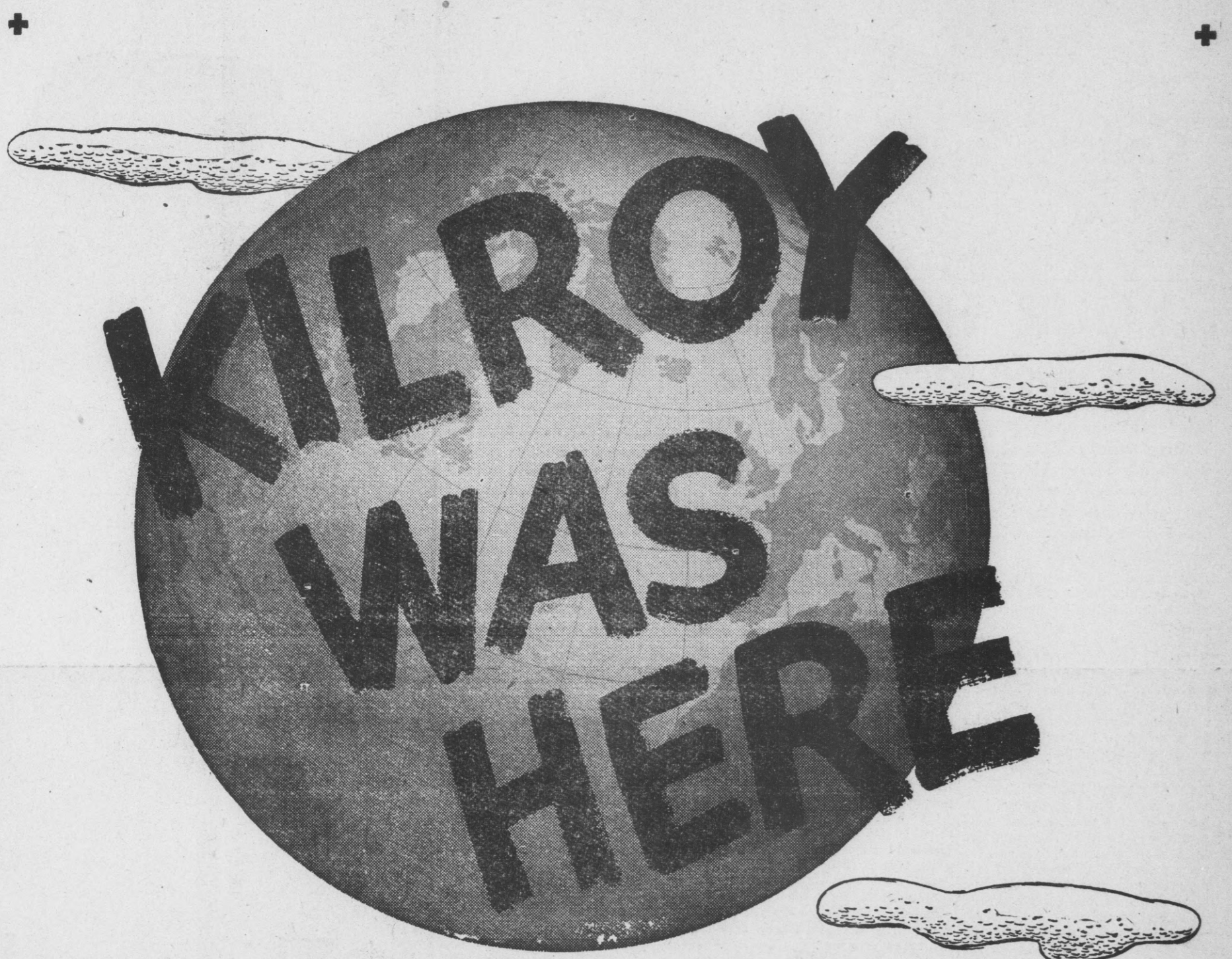
The proposal puts a 2-year statute of limitations on claims to be operative only if the U. S. supreme court should void provisions restricting portal-to-portal to those covered by contract or custom. Suits by unions are barred, although individuals may act for themselves or for a group of fellow workers.

## Supreme Need

A golfing novice had driven his ball along the fairway, but unfortunately it disappeared down a rabbit hole.

"Which club will you take now?" asked his caddy, with a sly smile.

The novice sighed wearily as he scratched his head in doubt. Then at last he asked hopefully: "Have you got one shaped like a ferret?"



Wherever members of the armed forces went—from Korea to Cape Horn . . . to Attu . . . to Berchtesgaden . . . to Kunming . . . to Broadway and 42nd Street—there, too, went Kilroy!

Who was Kilroy?

He could have been a Red Cross worker.

Because they're everywhere . . . all the time.

Giving aid is their job. No one can tell when or where trouble will stumble into someone's lap . . . when some human will need help—and need it badly.

A GI desperately needs transportation to the bedside of a stricken mother. That's a job for the Red Cross.

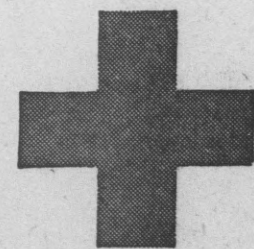
Disaster hits a rural area. Who will meet

food and housing needs of the sufferers? The Red Cross.

A wind-whipped fire leaves a tenement section gutted—63 families destitute. Another job for the Red Cross.

Multiply those cases a thousandfold—and you begin to get an idea of the money that's needed . . . the work that's involved!

The work's ours. The money's yours. Do your part!



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But the Red Cross was there to help her and all the homeless families . . .

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# Something Smells! . . . . . Wright



## YOUR HEALTH

By UNION DOCTOR, M.D.

The American people are becoming increasingly aware of health problems and possibilities for their solution. There is a growing understanding of the fact that grade-A medical care can be made available to all the people. More unions are including health and welfare demands in their collective bargaining negotiations. Farmers are organizing into medical care co-operatives. Communities large and small are active in health protection programs.

As a result, 104 separate pieces of health legislation crammed the hopper of the last Congress. Only a few of the important ones were passed, including the Hospital Survey and Construction Act and the Natl. Mental Health Act. Most of the others will probably be reintroduced in the 80th Congress, where the Republican majority can be expected to be less friendly to progressive health legislation than were the Democrats.

### THE WAGNER MEASURE

The Wagner-Murray-Dingell bill, long a vital plank in labor platform, has been redrafted in the light of many constructive suggestions made during extensive hearings last year. It will probably have increased sponsorship and will soon be reintroduced.

A measure which would give every worker complete services for his entire family from a doctor of his choice by paying regularly a small health insurance premium to which his employer would contribute an equal amount, the bill deserves the active support of every union local in every community.

### CHEAP IMITATION

The Republican bill, rewritten with the help of the monopolistic American Medical Assn., has already been introduced by Senators Taft, Smith, Ball and Donnell. It should fool no one. Workers know by now what to expect from these opponents of organized labor. Their

so-called Natl. Health Bill would substitute a program of limited medical care on a charity basis for the needy, administered individually by the 48 states.

What is more, the bill would pour public funds into the private prepayment plans of the same medical societies which have been viciously attacking national health insurance legislation. States would pay the premiums of needy persons for membership in these highly inadequate AMA plans, and thus wash their hands of health care for these people.

The Taft-Smith-Ball-Donnell bill must be fully understood and rejected as a cheap imitation of the real thing. Workers who seek health security within the reach of their dwindling pay checks should make Capitol Hill rock with their demand for a real national health insurance program.

### Why, Professor!

Prize example of the absent-minded professor is Dr. Jules Backman of New York University who recently got his name in the papers by telling an employer group the cost of living has reached its peak (and you don't need to raise pay, boys).

What he forgot was to look at that day's papers and read accounts of pigs selling for the highest price on record, with \$1.25 pork chops soon due.

## This Job Of Living

Although corporate profits, after taxes, reached an all-time peak in 1946, it is freely predicted in business circles that they will be even higher in 1947. Profits now are about \$3 billion greater than for the war year 1942. But, brother, how the boys hate to put some of it into more wages!

Dept. of Agriculture says our food supply will be about the same as for last year. There won't be as much lamb, mutton and dried fruits, and probably not as much milk or fresh fruits and vegetables. But there'll be more beef, canned fish, canned fruits and fruit juices, sugar, dry beans, spices, cereal products and butter. Quantity of other foodstuffs will remain about the same as during 1946. The Dept. thinks food prices will gradually decline from the peaks of last November. Other experts say, however, that unless there is more concentrated buyer resistance, food prices may slide even higher.

Don't be fooled by department store clearance sales of men's overcoats into thinking that prices will go down soon. The manufacturers say that next fall's prices may be from 10 to 12 per cent higher than for the winter season of 1946.

Furniture manufacturers and dealers are meeting with all kinds of buyer resistance. Those who maintained reasonable prices have been getting the bulk of the trade. Those who jumped prices have been twiddling their thumbs. Result is that more moderate and low-priced furniture lines are in the cards soon.

## Bay Area Guild Wins \$90 Scale, 3-Week Vacation

San Francisco, Calif. The San Francisco-Oakland Newspaper Guild has signed a new 2-year contract with four San Francisco and one Oakland papers, granting wage increases ranging from \$5.50 to \$17 a week, retroactive to Jan. 27. The editorial minimum for men with five years experience is raised to \$90. The contract also provides 3-week vacations after three years.

## Mailers Granted Closed Shop in Louisville

Louisville, Ky. The closed shop for union mailers is established for the first time in Louisville under the new contract, which won increases of 46 1/2 cents an hour for day men and 50 cents an hour on other shifts. The work week was reduced from 40 hours to 37 1/2.

Speaking of swing bands, the man who put the din in dinner took the rest out of restaurant.

## Auto Magnates Had Big Yen for Adolph

Detroit, Michigan James Mooney, former General Motors Corp. vice president in charge of the overseas division and now with Willys-Overland Corp. of Toledo, is believed in Detroit to be one of the "American business friends" who advised the German auto magnate Wilhelm von Opel to join the Nazi party.

The Associated Press story from Germany quoted "American military officials" as the source of its statement about Opel's friends. Opel himself said Hitler gave American auto makers government decorations when they came to Germany. Mooney while still with GM got such a Hitler decoration. Henry Ford also got one, but didn't have to go to Germany for it, receiving it from Hitler's consuls here.

## Eclipse for Pop

Last night when all the stars were lit, Pa went out to stroll a bit. When Pa came home, Ma had a fit. The stars were out, but Pa was lit.

## The Opportunity

An exasperated Hollywood producer was describing his vacation in Palm Springs. "Did I have trouble with my wife?" he complained. "She's the type of person who is never satisfied. She had to go to a hotel that charges \$100 a day. The next afternoon she had to go out horseback riding. So what does she do but fall off the horse and get knocked unconscious. I called a doctor and he said she'd be unconscious for ten weeks."

"Unconscious for ten weeks!" exclaimed his listener. "What on earth did you do?"

"I moved to a cheaper hotel."

## Detroit Mailer Rate Up as High as \$2.38

Detroit, Michigan The new scale of Detroit Mailers Union 40 (AFL) works out to four decimal places for each shift starting at \$2.0667 for day shift per hour, \$2.2714 for afternoons and topping with \$2.3857 per hour for the midnight shift. At 37 1/2 hours this is \$77.50 a week for days. The afternoon shift works 35 hours a week for \$79.50 and the midnight shift 35 hours for \$83.50.

The new scale is a raise of over 29c an hour for day men and over 33c for the rest. In the new contract, retroactive to Nov. 1, 1946, is a 3-week paid vacation, a liberal sick and accident benefit, and observance by the employer of all Intl. Typographical Union laws.

## Canadian Labor Paper Plans Daily Schedule

Toronto, Canada. Backers of the labor weekly Canadian Tribune are raising funds to make it a daily. Hoped for changeover date is May 1.

## Type of Portal Pay Given at Ford Factory

Windsor, Ontario A form of portal pay has been negotiated by United Auto Workers with Ford Motor Co. of Canada in Windsor on behalf of spray painters in Plant 4. They are to be paid for 10 minutes at the beginning and end of each shift to grease their faces, put on coveralls and headgear, tape ankles and wrists and wrap their necks with gauze, and to degrease, etc., after work.

## Cash In, Lads!

Unions may be missing a chance to make some money—it turns out corporations pay as much as \$5000 to have an employee opinion poll taken in a plant of 1500 people. They could get the same information from a good union in a half-hour session. But that would be the easy way, and, after all, a personnel man has to make his job look tough somehow.

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Two AFL leaders tell Sen. Joseph H. Ball (R., Minn.), center, what they think about restrictive labor legislation. The answer to the nation's labor problems, said Pres. David Dubinsky, right, of the Intl. Ladies Garment Workers Union, is to remove or minimize the economic insecurity of the workers. AFL Vice Pres. Mathew Woll hit Ball's bill as a move to promote the world's greatest open shop. (Federated Pictures).



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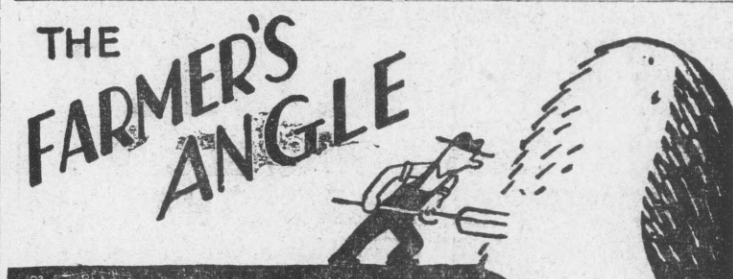
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## Art for Friendship



This stark portrayal of a wounded American soldier was drawn by Jacques Falcou, French artist who was a leader of the French underground during the war. Now in the U.S. on a friendship mission, Falcou hopes to solidify relations between French and American workers by exhibiting his art in the nation's industrial centers. (Federated Pictures)



## FARM PROSPERITY: DEPENDS ON WORKERS' BUYING POWER

By HOMER AYRES

"It was the year we raised so many potatoes. . . ." That's the way a neighbor of mine used to recall one of his more fruitful years. Remembering dates was difficult, while recalling the year of the drought, the 'hoppers, the big wind or the outside spud crop was easy.

Farmers have been fed too much propaganda to remember in terms of "that's the year city workers made fairly good wages and could afford to buy."

## THE BIG SPUD YEAR

It might be that 1946 will be recalled as a big potato year, when "surpluses" first started to make press headlines and the national economy was in deceiving "boom" proportions. People are now asking one another: "Are we going to have another farm depression? Can we market all the farm commodities we are able to produce? Should we continue full farm production or should we cut down? What kind of medicine should we take to cure our ills?" The farm problem is a complex problem to solve and no one medicine can be used. But from now on all the quick peddlers will be in the market with their panaceas for any and all ailments of man or beast.

One of the first signs of the new crop of old-style medicine men is the propaganda now being put out to make people believe that enough farm commodities will be diverted to industrial use so we will not have anything to worry about. "Chemurgy" is being offered, but chemurgy is not only the utilization of the products of the soil for industrial uses, it is also an opiate for people seeking a real solution.

## PROSPERITY SUBSTITUTE?

This does not mean that there is

anything wrong in attempting to convert a sow's ear into a silk purse, making a pair of steps from fabric made of chicken feathers. It is all to the good but chemurgy is just plain horsefeathers when it comes to solving the basic farm problem.

Reports from the Dept. of Agriculture warn against any illusions. In the words of F. L. Thompson of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics: "A realistic view of the situation, however, does not promise any too great net accomplishments in the field. . . . We have no reason, up to this point, to feel too optimistic about industrial utilization of farm products."

## REASONS FOR SURPLUS

The main reason for farm "surpluses" lies in the aim of industry to push down wages and pile up greater profits. Unless the people get enough for their work to buy a goodly portion of what they themselves produce we are going to have surpluses and depressions. So we need a lot of medicine that will keep farmers from going broke and workers eating and wearing clothes.

It is all wrong to talk of surpluses with people going hungry in the world, so let us find a way to turn skimmed milk into food for the hungry before we try to put the wool growers out of business by having clothes made from the output of assembly-line cows.

## U.N. Facts and Faces . . . . . FRANCE



The Republic of France is 212,659 square miles in area, populated by some 39,700,000 persons. The largest nation in western Europe, France is famed for her art, literature and science. She borders on Spain and the Mediterranean Sea in the south, the Bay of Biscay in the west, the English Channel and Belgium in the North, and Germany, Switzerland and Italy in the east. Her president is Vincent Auriol and Alexandre Parodi is her permanent delegate at the United Nations Headquarters. France is a permanent member of the Security Council and a member of the Economic and Social Council and the Trusteeship Council. The flag of France is the well-known red, white and blue "Tricolor" which has three vertical stripes.

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Effective March 15, the following conditions with regards to group life insurance will be in full force and effect for all members who are in good standing: All members who have their dues paid on or before the 15th day of the current month shall be covered and his or her beneficiary shall receive \$2,000.00 should the member die of accidental death; \$1,000.00 if the member dies from natural causes. If a member is killed on the job his or her beneficiary shall receive \$1,000.00 in addition to his or her State Compensation.

In the event of total or permanent disability sustained before the age of 60, all of the premium will be waived and in the event of death, beneficiary would receive the face of the policy; should the member regain his health, he would of course resume the payments of the premiums. In the event the members meet with an accident where he loses a leg or arm, he shall receive \$500.00. In the event of the loss of an arm and leg (or two limbs) he shall receive \$1,000. In a short time all of our members in good standing will receive a policy covering conditions as outlined in this column. It will be compulsory that all members have their dues paid on or before the 15th day of the current month in order to be eligible. A letter from your Union will be issued with the policy to further explain certain conditions. This insurance is being taken out with the West Coast Life Insurance Company and the master policy will be issued to the Union.

State Federation of Labor and the American Federation of Labor from time to time, dealing with anti-labor legislation being introduced all over the country. If you recall at the last election, you were warned of what may develop by electing certain anti-labor groups. These new lawmakers, from their very actions, may be working for the employer instead of the public. It is important that whenever it is necessary, that you contact your senator and congressman by letter or wire stating your position. These very men through these anti-labor tactics, are reducing your very income which is what you are interested in primarily.

The following is the third group of questions and answers regarding the Disability Insurance:

21-Q. Does disqualification from Unemployment Insurance also disqualify the worker from Disability Insurance.

A. Generally, it will be presumed that a claimant who has been disqualified for unemployment insurance is also disqualified for disability insurance. However, if the claimant establishes to the satisfaction of the Commission that he is suffering from a bona fide illness or injury, and the Commission finds there is good cause for paying disability insurance, such benefits may be paid.

22-Q. May an individual who is receiving Workmen's Compensation also receive Disability Insurance.

A. No. A worker is also ineligible for disability insurance if he is receiving compensation for illness or injury under the laws of any other state; the federal government, or under any employer's liability law of this state, any other state, or the federal government.

23-Q. May a worker, while receiving disability insurance from the state, also receive medical or hospital insurance from a private policy?

A. Yes, unless he is paid under a voluntary disability plan approved by the Commission as part of the Disability Insurance system.

24-Q. May a worker receive disability insurance if he is receiving unemployment insurance from some other state or the federal government?

A. No. 25-Q. May a veteran who is receiving Servicemen's Readjustment Allowances under the GI Bill of Rights receive disability insurance also?

A. No. Disability insurance cannot be paid to a veteran who is receiving Servicemen's Readjustment Allowances.

26-Q. May an employee who is paid his wages during a period of illness draw Disability Insurance?

A. Ordinarily no, because there has been no loss of wages. However, in the event that the employee's wages are less, per week, than his weekly benefit rate, he may receive the difference between the wages received and the weekly benefit rate.

27-Q. Is a minor eligible for disability insurance?

A. Yes, provided all eligibility conditions are met.

28-Q. How is the amount of disability insurance payable to an individual determined?

A. The same benefit year, base period, and wage credits used for computing the maximum amount and weekly benefit rate for unemployment insurance apply with respect to disability insurance.

29-Q. How much may a claimant receive in disability insurance? A. The amount varies, but is the same as for unemployment insurance. If a worker earned \$2000 during his qualifying or base period, he would qualify for \$468 during his benefit year. This is the maximum amount. If he earned only \$300 during his base period, he would qualify for a maximum of \$160 during his benefit year. Weekly payment rates are between \$10 and \$20 depending upon earnings in the highest quarter of the base period.

30-Q. How long will disability insurance be paid?

A. If the worker remains eligible, until the total award for the benefit year is exhausted. The maximum period for paying disability insurance is 23 1/2 weeks, but that period may be shortened if the claimant has already received more than half of his unemployment insurance total award for the benefit year. This is in accordance with the provision in the law limiting the total award for both unemployment insurance and disability insurance within the same benefit year to 150 per cent of the total award for one type of insurance.

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Carroll Elected New  
President of Waymen

Washington, D. C. The election of T. C. Carroll as president of the Bro. of Maintenance of Way Employees (AFL) was announced by the Grand Lodge officers and general chairmen. He succeeds the late Elmer Millman. Carroll has been president for the southeastern region.

are on the "We Do Not Patronize" list of every Union and Central Labor Council in the country. Remember to take note of these things and refrain from patronizing the products manufactured by these two concerns.

The American Red Cross is making a plea for funds. It is important that we give what we can towards this great cause.

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The following received sick benefits: John T. Morgan, 534 Terrace, Salinas; Ralph L. Cantero, 170 Wall St., Watsonville; Wm. R. Jackson, Rt. 3, Box 131, Salinas; C. A. Noble, Aromas, Calif.; Gilbert Carpenter, 641 Nueces St., Salinas; Antonio Mirabelli, 59 So. Monterey, Gilroy.

The Executive Board has instructed the secretary to communicate with all stewards in all areas informing them that they are to attend all regular meetings in the future in their respective areas in order that new instructions may be given them; this to be done at the meetings or immediately following a regular meeting.

The Executive Board's order also provides that failure to appear at a regular meeting, without reasonable and sufficient excuse, will mean forfeit of any dues remitted for that month.

Our union wishes to emphasize the importance of these shop stewards, and at this time pay tribute for their leadership and guidance which these stewards have shown the members whom they work with in the various divisions which make up this local union.

At the present time, more so than ever, the importance of guidance and cooperation for all members through a shop steward is a must.

The following stewards are to be commended for their past performance with regard to our union activities and to them the following letter is being mailed:

Margaret Grasse, Speig; Tom Rubio, Salinas Valley Ice; Alex Dahner, Speig; Alfred Breaum, Raiter; M. H. McBride, Growers Ice; Al Underwood, Shippers Development; Elmo Johnson, K. R. Nutting; Harvey Whitney, C. B. Gentry; John Scallisi, National Ice, Watsonville; Russell Dennig and Lloyd Cox, Union Ice, Watsonville; Bud Hawsey, Apple Growers, Watsonville; Rose Zbrensk, Regas & Sons, San Juan; Gus Hernandez, Salinas Valley Ice; Howard Dunn, Eckhardt Seed Co.; Sam Werrel, Pajaro Valley Ice, Watsonville; Chas. Jones, Salinas Valley Ice; Orville Dockery, Pete Stollch.

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Mr. Smith Gets  
Into Jam With  
Washington

Detroit, Michigan Rabblerouser G. L. K. Smith and wife Eleanor had a tax lien slapped on them by Collector of Internal Revenue Giles Kavanagh. It seems they forgot to pay \$1789 in income taxes for 1944-45. Smith recently has sent out frantic begging letters from Ft. Worth for \$25,000, promising a reprint of some of the anti-Jewish articles published in Henry Ford's Dearborn Independent in the 20s.

Effective immediately stewards and officers of the union shall attend all regular meetings of the union held in their area, as well as attending any special meeting which may be called for a trade group.

You are elected to represent your group in your trade division by the members who work with you. As a shop steward your leadership and guidance insofar as your group is concerned merits special consideration, therefore it is important that above all else that you familiarize yourself with all functions of the union, so that members whom you are working with may be better informed. At these meetings you will be instructed and guided as to the duties of a steward.

The Executive Board has also ordered that any officer or shop steward who fails to attend a regular meeting as indicated in this letter without a reasonable excuse shall forfeit his dues to the union for that month.

BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

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## MINUTES Bldg. Trades Council

The March 6, 1947, meeting of the Building & Construction Trades Council of Monterey County was called to order by President Wm. J. Dickerson at 8 p.m.

Roll call showed 19 delegates from eight local unions.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

All bills were ordered paid.

### CORRESPONDENCE

Received a copy of minutes from Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council; Building & Construction Trades Council of Santa Clara County; and Pile Butts L. U. 34. Noted and filed.

A letter from Building & Construction Trades Department of AFL, stating that International Federation of Technical Engineers, Associated Architects and Draftsmen's Union are not eligible to affiliate with the local B&CTC. Filed.

A letter from Bro. J. B. McGinley explaining the reason why he could not attend our meeting this evening.

A letter from Painters 272 protesting that 65 per cent of one hour's pay was too high for per capita.

### EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

The report of the Executive Board was read; questions were asked and answered. The report was approved.

### BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

Bro. R. S. Rial reports his findings for the past two weeks. Mr. Lunt of Lunt Bros. signed an agreement and agrees to let his sub-trades work out to fair contractors. He read a report from a veterans labor coordinator, approving the support given the apprentices in Monterey. He has cards printed to place on homes being built by individuals on week ends when they are not regularly employed. He attended a meeting with the General Contractors of Northern and Central California, where a new agreement is being prepared. The report was accepted.

### REPORTS OF LOCAL UNIONS

Bro. Walker, Roofers 50, reports they are preparing a few changes in their working rules and will send a copy to the Council as soon as completed.

Bro. W. T. Evans, Carpenters 1323: Good meeting, initiated eight new members.

Bro. J. L. Bolin, Painters 272: Good meeting, initiated three new members.

Bro. Wm. Grubb, Painters 272: We are working on a new agreement.

Bro. R. E. Estis, Painters 272: We have taken Mr. John A. Kelly into the local union.

Bro. Howard Tretzel, Plumbers 62: Regular meeting; sent a delegation to the B&CTC convention and will send a delegate to the United Association of Journeymen Plumbers & Apprentices of the Pipe Trades Industry convention, to be held in Fresno.

## Nebraska Closed Shop Law to Get Tested in Court

Lincoln, Nebraska

Nebraska's anti-closed shop amendment, adopted last November, will soon undergo its first court test as a result of a suit filed by the AFL against the Northwestern Iron & Metal Co.

AFL attorney Bernard S. Gradwohl said Nebraska's ban is more definite, specific and extreme than that of any other state. He hopes the suit will furnish a national test.

The amendment to the state constitution, which was adopted by a 212,443 to 142,702 vote, prohibits the denial of employment to any person because of membership or non-membership in a labor organization and forbids any contract so specifying.

The suit charges the amendment violates the federal constitutional provision that no state shall make laws impairing the obligation of contracts. It also charges that the amendment prevents collective bargaining as provided by the Wagner Act and violates the U. S. code respecting interstate commerce.

The amendment also discriminates against unions and their members and constitutes class legislation, according to the AFL.

The case hinges on the company's refusal to fire an employee who had failed to pay his dues since Nov. 1 under a contract provision which requires it to dismiss any employee not in good standing with the union. The company said the contract was illegal as a result of the amendment and said the dismissal was unlawful. The union involved is Lincoln Federal Labor Union 19,129.

### Pome of Pashun

Her dress was tight,  
She scarce could breathe,  
She sneezed aloud,  
And there stood Eve.

Bro. Estis, Painters 272: We have three or four men out of employment.

**GOOD OF THE COUNCIL**  
Bro. Rial reports on the remodeling of barracks at Fort Ord into family apartments. One hundred and ninety-six barracks into four apartments each.

Bro. Thomas reports that most men are employed, that the lumber yards have slowed down.

### NEW BUSINESS

The secretary was instructed to invite Bro. McGinley to the Council meeting March 20, 1947. Carpenters 1323 sent in a request to meet with the trustees of the Council March 17, 1947. Request to be complied with.

No further business to come before the Council; the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
L. T. LONG,  
Secretary.

## MINUTES Central Labor Council

The meeting of the Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council was called to order March 4, 1947 at 8 p.m. The roll call showed the presence of seven delegates from six locals. Regular officers present were Pres. McCutcheon, Vice-President Grieco, Secretary-Treasurer Edwards and Sergeant-at-Arms Alves.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

It was moved, seconded, and passed to approve the secretary's bill for \$5.00 for stamps.

It was moved, seconded, and passed to concur in a resolution by the San Francisco Central Labor Council urging that employees of non-profit hospitals, cafeterias, YMCA's, etc. be given the benefit of unemployment and disability insurance.

It was moved, seconded, and passed to go on record against the Collier Bill, increasing the tax on gasoline.

**REPORTS OF DELEGATES**  
The Carpenters reported a very good meeting. They have had some complaint regarding an establishment in Marina that employs union help inside the house, but when there is outside work to be done, non-union workers are hired.

The Glass Bottle Blowers reported no meeting. They report that their international officer is to ask for an increase in new negotiations. Locally, they plan to ask for an increase of 25 cents an hour.

The Barbers reported a good meeting with some discussion regarding non-attendance.

The financial report was read and accepted and the meeting adjourned.

### WAYNE EDWARDS,

Secretary-Treasurer.

### Name New Editors

In line with a general increase in activity in the Pacific Coast's AFL labor press, two additional labor editor appointments were announced last week. Hugh DeLacy, defeated for Congress in Washington, has been employed by Machinists Local 79 to edit the local's monthly paper and direct a program of "political warfare and education" at a salary of \$340.

"I'm going to edit the Machinists Bulletin and do several other things for the union," said DeLacy, who is described by many as "pinkish." Meanwhile, the East Bay Labor Journal in Oakland has been given a new editor, Louis Burgess, who has been for the past three years a labor reporter on the San Francisco Chronicle, one of the area's two weak morning dailies.

The Portsmouth (N.H.) Herald prints its birth announcements each day under this headline: "Stork Quotations."

## Whitney Hits Proposals To Weaken Labor Legislation

Washington, D. C.

The House Labor Committee heard Pres. A. F. Whitney of the Bro. of Railroad Trainmen (unaffiliated) vigorously assail a dozen proposals for weakening the Wagner Act and the Railway Labor Act and make some constructive suggestions for removing the causes of labor unrest.

Among changes in the RLA Whitney suggested were:

1. Allowing unions to request a fact finding board in a dispute before the strike vote rather than afterward, which is the present practice.

2. Setting up regional adjustment boards to cut down the current waiting time of six or seven years in grievance cases, now handled by the Railroad Adjustment Board.

3. Authorizing the checkoff of union dues when requested by the member.

4. Removing the provision which prohibits railroad brotherhoods from signing railroads to union security agreements.

**CONSTRUCTIVE PROPOSAL**  
"If the machinery established by the Wagner Act and the RLA is given full support by Congress, with adequate appropriations to enable the administrative bodies to carry out the functions assigned them by Congress, and if the amendments I have suggested are enacted, then there will be little occasion for strikes arising out of jurisdictional disputes or for obnoxious secondary boycotts," Whitney said.

He suggested that labor organizations certified by the NLRB or the Natl. Mediation Board be given a full year by law to represent the workers choosing them, as a device to cut down jurisdictional strikes, which he said were "grossly over-exaggerated," and made up only two per cent of the working time lost through strikes since 1927.

**Might Be at That**  
The old lady had been watching a tug of war for half an hour. Finally she leaned over to her companion and said, "Wouldn't it be simpler if they got a knife and cut it?"

## Smash Student Sympathy Strike



After these picketing students tried to enlist the aid of pupils in a neighboring strikebound Wilmington, Del., school, the police were called to break up the demonstration. Their walkout was in support of Wilmington teachers, led by the American Federation of Teachers (AFL), who took a one-day holiday to demand adequate pay from the state. (Federated Pictures)

## CALLING EM' STRAIGHT

"BOMBER" EASY-GOING BLOKE  
BUT DOESN'T LIKE CROSS-UP

By ED HUGHES

Joe Louis is not only a great champion, but to my mind the cleanest ring practitioner I've ever witnessed, and I've seen all the best these many years. True, he never belonged to the live-and-let-live school of fighters. Yet under certain circumstances he will permit a gladiator to tarry with him on "borrowed time" from his good nature.

That is, if the victim doesn't attempt to pull something. Louis is not a grudge-bearer. He has never had an uncomplimentary word for even the weakest of his victims.

**HATES BEING CROSSED**  
Nevertheless he's human and he doesn't like to be crossed. Take this fellow Arturo Godoy, the Chilean pug. Godoy was once a strong durable fighting man, although he used clownish tactics. He stayed the 15-round limit the first time he met Joe Louis for the title. He was canceled in eight rounds the second time.

Godoy was in his prime but made a fiasco of the first meeting. Between "bicycling" about and bending so close to the floor that it was difficult to tell whether he was up or down, Arturo managed to stay the limit. Joe got the verdict but was never able to get a fair shot at his prey. He learned all about Arturo though and the next time it was just too bad for Godoy.

It is generally that way when Louis meets a troublesome foe the second time. There is no trouble. The champion then knows all the answers.

**GODOY LEARNS NOTHING**  
Godoy, a brash and not too schrewd fellow, is unlike Joe. He still fights and still learns nothing from his foes or his fighting. Louis, now on tour of Central and South American countries, picked Arturo for his first exhibition in Mexico City.

From an artistic standpoint this was a mistake. Godoy was paid \$10,000 to give the clients some idea of what makes Louis possibly the greatest fighter of all time. It wasn't supposed to be a fight, but what might be called the next thing to one, with Louis holding back anything like a knockout.

Arturo throughout clung to Joe like a bad cold. Joe could show nothing, but the crowd of 12,000 Mexican victims showed plenty of ill feeling. Admission prices were high, as were expectations of a lively evening. It was a sad start for Louis' exhibition tour. And this bothersome crossgrained Godoy was still on Joe's hands. He was under contract to tangle with him again elsewhere. In fact in Chile, Arturo Godoy's native land.

**LION BECOMES LAMB**  
They say the most timid soldier will battle with the courage and ferocity of a wounded tiger when the homeland is invaded. Sometimes he has to. Anyhow, the other day Joe and Arturo went at it again in dear old Chile. Before they stepped into the ring Joe expected a promise from Arturo that there'd be a "fight" or something like one—or else.

Before 25,000 Godoy admirers howling, "Take it easy, Joe," Mr. Louis did nothing of the kind. He hadn't forgotten Mexico City and twice in New York. Arturo really threw a few punches. He had to. And Louis promptly socked him dizzy and kept him that way for six rounds.



Percy Warram and Mildred Dunnock, in a scene from "Another Part of the Forest," Lillian Hellman's latest hit play, presenting a socially significant as well as dramatically powerful portrayal of the rise of the industrial South. The play, which is scheduled to go on the road from coast to coast next season, was described by New York Post Drama Critic Richard Watts Jr. as "one of the most fascinating plays of the contemporary American theatre."

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